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In this preface to the known ancestors of this line will be placed what has been found about this family name and others married into it from a History of Berks Co., Pa. by Montgomery.

We arrive at Berks Co., Pa. as a place for future records research through reading the obituary of Rebecca Fritz Wickliffe, wife of IIIb, Francis Wickliffe, giving Douglass Twp., Burke Co., Pa. as her birthplace Sept. 25, 1824, her parents being Peter and Rachel Lovengood Fritz. Very little effort was required to find the proper listing of her birthplace would be Douglass Twp, Berks Co. Upon writing for census information, no Lovengoods were found. The Co. History mentions Livingoods prominently. Due to many early errors in spelling this is very likely the correct family.

P. 467; Douglass Twp. was formed from Oley Twp. in 1736. Among those being taxed were Fretts, George 1.

About 1870 David Fritz improved a Nagle mill, son, Eli operated it at time the history was written. This may be a collateral line.

P. 970: Fritz's graveyard was a small public cemetery near "Little Oley".

Jacob Livingood has a clover mill, William Livingood has a grist mill.

Mauger family - Henry and wife came from Germany in 1762.

P. 147: Capt. Jacob Livingood's Riflemen of Middleton, Heidelberg Twp. Sept., 1781 enlisted to Jan.

1746, Melchor Fritz belonged to Trinity Church.

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PETER FRITZ was born March 17, 1792 Pa., died April 26, 1864 Liberty Twp., Fairfield Co., O., m. Rachel Lovengood (Livingood?) born Aug. 13, 1794 Pa., d. Oct. 15, 1876; lived 1824 in Douglass Twp., Berks Co., Pa. The 1830 Census shows Peter Fritz still there, p. 475: 1 m under 5; 1 m 10 to 15; 1 m 30 to 40; 2 f 5 to 10; 1 f 10 to 15; 1 f 15 to 20; 1 f 30 to 40.

1850 U.S. Census Liberty Twp., Fairfield Co., O., p. 240, family 605: Peter Fritz, Rachel and children, Martin, Peter, Mary, Rachel, all b. Pa.

1860 U.S. Census Liberty Twp., Fairfield Co., O., p. 143: Peter Fritz, 67, b. Pa., Rachel, 66, b. Pa., Peter, 28, b. Pa., Reuben, 8, b. Pa.

Peter Fritz owned 166½ acres in Liberty Twp. The sales bill describes a large 2 story house built expressly for 2 families, having separate cellars. Peter made his Will April 23, 1864, leaving everything to his wife Rachel until her death. After her death the real estate was to be sold and the money was to go to their children. His grandson Reuben was to have a share of the personal property. His daughter, Rebecca Wickliffe, was to receive the income from her share and upon her death it was to go to her children. Her husband, Francis, could borrow the amount of her share providing he put up mortgages on his land for it. Peter and Rachel are buried at St. Michael's Reformed and Evangelical Cemetery about ¾ miles north of Baltimore. Issue:

- a. Catherine Fritz, b. Feb. 12, 1815, d. Aug. 13, 1888, m. Henry Keysar, b. May 2, 1814, d. Aug. 26, 1890.
- b. Betsy Fritz, m. _____ Cook.
- c. Isaac Fritz, b. ca. 1821 Pa., m. Sarah _____, b. ca. 1821 O.
- d. Margaret (Harriet) Fritz m. Francis Worley Bigonny, 1815-1878. He m. 2ndly Henrietta Weisner.
- e. Rebecca Fritz, b. Sept. 25, 1824 Berks Co., Pa., d. March 11, 1896, m. April 19, 1849 to Francis Wickliffe, son of John and Elizabeth (Ward) Wickliffe, b. 1812 Queen's Co., Ireland, d. May, 1904, bur. May 9, both bur. Zanesville, Ind.
- f. Martin Fritz, b. Sept. 20, 1827, d. Oct. 28, 1852, bur. by parents, m. _____. Issue:
 1. Reuben Fritz, b. ca. 1852 Pa.
- g. Henrietta Fritz, d. by 1864.
- h. Elizabeth Fritz, d. by 1864.
- i. Mary Fritz, b. Jan. 6, 1835, m. Jacob N. Mauger, son of Frederick Mauger.
- j. Peter Fritz, b. Oct. 22, 1835, d. April 28, 1888, bur. by his aprents.
- k. Rachel Fritz, b. Jan. 8, 1837, d. Oct. 25, 1913, m. John Bowser, b. March 20, 1821, d. Aug. 19, 1899.

Original sales bill and other records owned by Mrs. Virginia Irmscher, Ft. Wayne, Ind., Rebecca Wickliffe obit.; records of Mrs. Edna Middaugh Houtz, LaFontaine, Ind.; Mauger family records.



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These names on tombstones are from the Peter Fritz lot and the one adjacent to it. Were it not for the fact that this Hannah Fritz seems to be born in 1808 we could consider her to be the wife of Peter's son, Fritz:

Hannah, wife of Peter Fritz, b. July 9, 1808, d. March , 1844, 35y 7m 27 d.

The following are children of P and H Fritz:

Mary A. Fritz (baby stone)

Sarah E. Fritz (baby stone)

Hannah Fritz (baby stone)

George Fritz, d. Jan. 18, 1855. *1836*

John Fritz, d. Jan. 21, 1856

Peter Fritz, d. Jan. 2, 1851

Margaret Fritz, wife of Martin, b. Jan. 5, ^{*1780*}~~1870~~, d. Oct. 11, 1842 aged 62 years (error)

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2a, I , Catherine Fritz, b. Feb. 12, 1815, d. Aug. 13, 1888, m. Henry Keyser, b. May 2, 1814, d. Aug. 26, 1890, bur. Nine Mile Cem. near Ft. Wayne, Ind. Issue:

- a. Jacob F. Keyser, b. 1845, d. 1912, m. Adeline Seaman, b. 1848, d. 1933.
- b. Peter Keyser, b. 1851, d. 1917, m. Ann L. _____, b. 1860, d. Dec. 2, 1932.
- c. Catherine Keyser, b. 1855, d. Sept. 14, 1936, m. Henry Seaman in 1875. secondly, in 1881 she m. Edward Corll, b. 1854, d. 1918.
- d. Rachel Keyser, unkm., deaf mute.
- e. Emma Keyser, m. _____ Beighler, lived and bur. Columbus, Ohio.
- f. Sarah Keyser, m. _____ Kuhms, lived and bur. Columbus, Ohio.
- g. Elizabeth Keyser, m. _____, lived and bur. Columbus, Ohio.

3a, 2a, I , Jacob F. Keyser, b. 1845, d. 1912, m. Adeline Seaman, b. 1848, d. 1933. Issue:

- a. Cora Keyser, b. March 29, 1869, m. Seymour Robinson, divorced. 2ndly, she m. _____ Ruchman, is bur. Zanesville, Ind. Ce. Issue:
 - 1. Reuel Ruchman, b. 1892, d. 1918.
- b. Elgie M. Keyser, b. 1871, d. Feb. 24, 1941, m. Catherine _____, worked in Panama Canal Zone in Weather Dept. Later, he went out west, d. there.
- c. Ottis Waldo Keyser, b. Oct. 11, 1872, d. June 12, 1897, attended Valparaiso U., drowned, unkm.
- d. Joseph Keyser, b. 1875, d. June 12, 1934, m. Margaret Newman, lived Richmond, Ind., connected with Wittenberg College, possibly athletic coach.
- e. Jesse Keyser, b. 1876, d. Dec. 24, 1952, m. a Shoup, is bur. Texhoma, Okla. Issue:
 - 1. Maey Keyser, b. Feb. 23, 1910, m. a Foreman.
- f. Rachel Florence Keyser, b. Nov. 20, 1877, d. 1948, unkm. bur. St. John's Lutheran Church Cem., Zanesville, Ind.
- g. Elma A. Keyser, b. 1879, d. May 18, 1951, m. Edward Shoup, b. 1881. He was an undertaker at Andrews, Ind. Elma is bur. Haverstock Cem. Zanesville, Ind. Edward lives Loveland, Colo. Issue:
 - 1. Lylith Shoup, m. a Johnson, lives Denver, Colo.
- i. Raymond R. Keyser, b. Oct. 27, 1885, d. 1951, m. Oct. 27, 1908 Clara Greer, b. 1885, d. 1937, Ft. Wayne carpenter. Issue:
 - 1. Jacob L. Keyser, b. 1913, d. 1938.
 - 2. Wilma Keyser.
- j. Jolsom Keyser, b. March 26, 1888, m. Glenn Browning, live Columbus, Ohio, was a nurse.
- h. Naomi Keyser, b. Sept. 23, 1883, m. Rev. Alonzo Nicodemus. They live at Nine Mile, Ind., have 8 children.
- k. Luther Lamont Keyser, b. Jan. 16, 1891, d. Nov. 6, 1892.
- l. Gladys E. Keyser, b. 1894, d. 1924 in auto accident, bur. St. John's Lutheran Cem., Zanesville, Ind., m. L.G. Schell.
- m. Elsie Keyser, d. March 3, 1960, bur. Calif. Like Elgie she worked in Panama Canal Zone. She was a Lutheran Deaconess, unkm., went to Colo. for awhile.



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3b, 2a, I , Peter Keyser, b. 1851, d. 1917, m. Ann L. _____, b. July 7, 1860, d. 1932. She had a son, William. He is listed as William Keyser. Issue:

- a. Minnie, m. _____ Woods.
- b. Bertha Keyser, m. _____ Patterson.
- c. Zola Keyser, m. _____ Nichols.
- d. Roy H. Keyser, b. March 15, 1890, d. Aug. 12, 1933.

4d, 3b, 2a, I , Roy H. Keyser, b. March 15, 1895, d. Aug. 12, 1933, m. Blanch C. Harbor, separated. Secondly, he m. Mrs. Cora Bishop, had step-dau, Alice Keyser. Issue:

- a. Douglas Keyser.
- b. Charles Keyser.
- c. Richard Keyser.
- d. Bernice Keyser.

3c, 2a, I , Catherine Keyser, b. 1855, d. Sept. 14, 1936, m. in 1875 Henry Seaman. Issue:

- a. Claudia Seaman, m. Vance E. Campbell.
- b. Lucian Seaman, m. Dora Hartup.

In 1881 she m., 2ndly, Edward Corll, b. 1854, d. 1918. Issue:

- c. Joseph. B. Corll, b. 1883, d. 1962, m. Effie M. Matz, b. 1888, liv. 1963.
- e. Homer Corll, b. 1889, living 1963, m. Gertrude B. Meyers, b. 1888, liv.
- f. Reuben Corll, b. 1898, living 1963, m. Laura Kirkhoff?, living 1963.
- d. Ella Corll, m. G. Gary Byrd. She was b. 1886, d. 1932.



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2b, I , Betsy Fritz, daughter of Peter and Rachel Fritz, married Cook, lived in Etna, Ohio area. Partial issue:
a. Ada Cook, married Bosinger. Partial issue:
1. Lottie Bosinger.

2d, I , Margaret Fritz, daughter of Peter and Rachel Fritz, (NARIET is name for her in our records), married Francis Worley Bigony of French descent. He was born in 1815, committed suicide 1878, buried Mt. Zion Cemetery. He was one of the Administrators of Peter Fritz's Will. He owned land near Mt. Zion and donated land for a cemetery. He married, secondly, Henrietta Weisner and had Sarah Bigony who married Alonzo Buxton. Sarah committed suicide. Her daughter, Genevieve Buxton, also committed suicide. Henrietta Fritz, 1864-1921, buried Pataskala, married John H. Poff, 1858-1945, 4 children, was also a daughter of this second marriage.

These are the children of Margaret and Francis W. Bigony.

- a. Rachel Bigony, born 1840, died 1919, married Henry Poff, born 1855, died 1910.
- b. Leah : Bigony, born 1843, died 1901, married : Snider, born 1850, died .
- c. Mary Ann Bigony, born 1850, died 1918, married Samuel Weaver, born 1850, died 1935, buried Pataskala, Ohio.
- d. Peter Fritz Bigony, born 1853, died 1929, married Mary Alice Poff, born 1857, died 1902, buried Mt. Zion Cemetery - 3 children.
- e. Henry Bigony.
- f. Francis Bigony, born 1857, died 1917, buried Mt. Zion.
- g. Joseph Bigony, married, more on his line.

3g, 2d, I , Joseph Bigony married _____. Issue:

- a. Warren Bigony, born 1880, died after 1966, married Daisy F. Miller, daughter of Isaac and Sarah (Phillips) Miller, born Fairfield County, Ohio May 28, 1879, died Aug. 31, 1971 at Reinchild Nursing Home, Baltimore, Ohio, buried New Zion Cemetery.
- b. Joseph Bigony.
- c. Henry Bigony.
- d. Henry Bigony.
- e. Peter Bigony.
- f. Francis Bigony.

Bigony information mostly from Mrs. Carolyn Bentz, Pataskala, Ohio - of a collateral Poff line; Pataskala Standard obit.; H.C. Wickliffe.

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2c, 1 , ISAAC FRITZ, son of Peter and Rachel (Lovengood) Fritz, is said to have come with his family from Germantown, Pa. (Mrs. Doty). He administrated his father's Will. In the 1860 Census of Liberty Twp., Fairfield Co., Ohio is his family.

1166/1169: Fritz, Isaac, 39, Pa.; Sarah, 39, Ohio; Matilda, 14; Mary, 12; Peter, 11; Rachel, 10; Edwin, 8; Martin, 6; Sarah, 4- all children born in Ohio.

These are the children of Isaac and Sarah Fritz:

(Mrs. Doty writes that Isaac's wife was Elizabeth.)

- a. Matilda Fritz, b. ca. 1846, m. Martin Snider. More on her line.
- b. Mary Elizabeth Fritz, b. ca. 1848, m. Noah Snider. More on her.
- c. Peter Fritz, b. ca. 1849, m. Sarah _____.
- d. Rachel Fritz, b. ca. 1850, m. Ben Snider. More on her.
- e. Edward Fritz, b. ca. 1853, m. Barbara _____.
- f. Martin Fritz, b. ca. 1854, m. Catherine _____.
- g. Sarah Fritz, b. ca. 1856, m. Wesley May. More on her line.
- h. Samuel Fritz, b. after 1860, unm.

3a, 2c, 1 . MATILDA FRITZ, daughter of Elizabeth (Sarah?) Fritz, m. Martin Snider. Issue:

- a. Sarah Snider, m. Ben Holmes.
- b. Amanda Snider, m. Charles Scheidegger.
- c. Rachel Snider, m. Christy Phillys.
- d. Hannah Snider, m. Ben Holt.
- e. Rebecca Snider, m. Brose Kuhn.
- f. Charles Snider, m. Bessie Roby.
- g. William Snider, m. Bell Magby .

3b, 2c, 1 , MARY ELIZABETH FRITZ, b. ca. 1848, m. Noah Snider. Issue:

- a. Alice Snider, m. Charles Leach, 7 children - 2 living, 5 dead 1971.
- b. Sarah Angeline Snider, m. Levi Fritz, 5 children, all living. Levi Fritz was the son of Joseph Fritz. Levi died young and Sarah remarried - the families were supposedly unrelated and no more is known . Ethel Fritz, 77 in 1971, is a daughter, m. Lawrence Doty, lives R. 2, Baltimore, O. 43105.
- c. Arthur Snider, m. Bertha Young. 1 son, living.
- d. Clara Snider, m. Pleasant Miller, 2 children, 1 living, 1 dead. They divorced and she married, 2ndly, Leo Earl.
- e. Florence Snider, m. Martin Myers. 3 children, all living.
- f. Susannah Snider, m. Charles Sager, 3 children, 1 dead, 2 living.
- g. Lottie Snider, m. Earl Sims, 2 children, both living.



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3d, 2c, 1 , RACHEL FRITZ, b. ca. 1850, m. Ben Snider. Issue:

- a. Harl Snider, m. Clara Samuel.
- b. Ora Snider, m. Cora Smoke.
- c. Ella Snider, m. Charles S^moke.
- d. Dessie Snider m. Parkinson - Simon Smoke.
- e. Bert Snider, m. Lottie Scully.
- f. Ardo Snider, m. Nina Wagner.
- g. Mellie Snider, m. David Keller.
- Ray Snider, m. Ethel Fiest.

3g, 2c, 1 , SARAH FRITZ, b. ca. 1856, m. Wesley May. Issue:

- a. Bessie May, m. Sam Mauger.
- b. James May, m. Chloe Basing.
- c. Elmira May, m. Timothy Wolf.
- d. Irene May, m. Ray Turner.

Snider and May children were all from Mrs. Doty of preceding page.

Fritz family

~~Rebecca~~ I , Rebecca Fritz was born on Sept. 25, 1824 in Douglass Twp., Berks Co., Pa. She was married to Francis Wickliffe in April 19, 1849. They lived in Fairfield Co., Ohio, as did her parents. Francis and Rebecca moved to Allen Co., Ind. near Yoder. They had an 80 acre farm. They separated legally and Frank, Jr., later received 40 acres of the farm, his mother's share, for keeping her. Her children will be found in the Wickliffe line under IIIb.

From her obituary, from a newspaper clipping about the separation and from H.C. Wickliffe, 1794 St. Joe Blvd., Ft. Wayne.

From the paper in 1961 celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Pataskala, O. Standard:

Marriages, Oct., 1838, Adam Poff and Mary E. Fritz of Baltimore. (Baltimore is in Fairfield Co., O.)

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1834-1915

1723-1889

2i, I, Mary Fritz was b. Jan. 6, 1835. She married Jacob N. Mauger, b. 1824. Partial issue:

(son of Frederick Mauger)

- a. Peter Mauger, b. 1858, m. Elizabeth Poff.
- b. Alban Mauger, b. 1859, d. 1934, m. Sarah Scherer, b. 1860, d. 1942.
- c. Frank Mauger, m. Clara Gierhart, no issue.
- d. Rachel Mauger, b. 1866, m. John Wilkens.
- e. Jennettie Mauger, b. 1867, d. 1952, m. Willis Showers, b. 1859, d. 1946.

buried in Pat.

Principles, m. E. Mauger
(Could Jacob Mauger be a son? He m. Elizabeth Blauser, was a minister, d. Columbus, O. dau Sarah d. Oct. 1937 at Richmond, Ind. at home of sister, was reported in Pataskala Standard. There is also a Jacob Mauger, b. Feb. 12, 1875, d. June 10, 1959, 66y 3m 28d.)

3a, 2i, I, Peter Mauger, b. 1858, m. Elizabeth Poff. Issue:

- a. Lottie Mauger, unkm., twin.
- b. Elva Mauger, twin, m. Frank Warner.

Secondly, Peter Mauger m. Clara Ford. Issue:

- c. Josie Mauger, m. Roland Hizey.
- d. LeRoy Mauger, m. Annabelle Doty.
- e. Russell Mauger, m. Mary Smith.
- f. Ernest Mauger, m. Orda Doty.
- g. Fred Mauger, m. Mary Fritz.

3B, 2i, I, Alban Mauger, b. 1859, d. 1934, m. Sarah Scherer, b. 1860, d. 1942. Issue:

- a. Lulu Mauger, b. 1882, m. John Poff. Issue:
 - 1. Adam Poff

- b. Mary Mauger, b. 1885, unkm.

- c. Emma Mauger, b. 1887, unkm.

- d. Virgil Mauger, b. 1892, retired principal of Pataskala High School, lives Pataskala, O., m., has family.

- e. Charles Mauger, b. 1895, m. Etta Showers.

3d, 2i, I, Rachel Mauger, b. 1866, m. John Wilkens. He operated a grocery store in Columbus, Ohio. Issue:

- a. Ivan Wilkens.
- b. Mary Wilkens, m. Harold Brown.
- c. Ruth Wilkens, m. _____ Patterson.

3e, 2i, I, Jennettie Mauger, b. 1867, d. 1952, m. Willis Showers, b. 1859, d. 1946. Issue:

- a. Gladys Showers, b. 1902, d. 1959, unkm.
- b. Graydon Showers, m. Freda Kertz, lives Lancaster, Ohio.

Death dates from Mt. Zion and Snyder Cemeteries near Pataskala, O.

* Also taught at Columbus School for Girls
Columbus, Ohio

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2k, I , Rachel Fritz, b. Jan. 8, 1837, d. Oct. 25, 1913, lived in Fairfield Co., Ohio. She married John Bowser, b. March 20, 1831, d. Aug. 19, 1899. They moved to Ind., became active members of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church at Nine Mile. Rachel lived at 2701 Fox Ave. Ft. Wayne at the time of her death. She is buried at Nine Mile Cem. Issue:

- a. Henrietta Bowser, b. 1862, d. 1933, unkm.
- b. Minnie Bowser, b. Jan. 25, 1865, d. April 23; 1939, m. Dec. 10, 1891 to George Fogwell, b. 1868, d. 1929.
- c. Francis M. Bowser, Frank, m. Ann Ott, d. after 1939. Both d.
- d. Arthur Bowser, b. 1869, d. 1957, m. Anna Morrison, b. 1870, d. 1922.
- e. Lola Bowser, b. 1870, d. 1951, m. Charles Yagerlehner. b. 1868, d. 1932, lived Huntingdon, Pa. in 1939.
- f. Ella Bowser, b. 1874, d. Sept. 1963, unkm.
- g. Waldo Bowser, lived Brooklyn, N.Y., artist. Some of his pictures were used on magazine covers around 1910. He m., no issue, lives, 1963, St. Petersburg, Fla.

3b, 2k, I , Minnie R. Bowser was born Jan. 26, 1865 in Fairfield Co. O. Her parents moved near Nine Mile, Ind. Minnie joined the Mt. Zion Lutheran Church when a small girl. She later joined the United Brethren Church. Dec. 10, 1891 she married George Fogwell, b. 1868, d. 1929. Minnie died April 23, 1939. Issue:

- a. Florence Fogwell, m. Fred Meyers, lives Fla.
- b. Frank G. Fogwell, b. Dec. 24, 1892, lives Pleasant Twp. 1963.
- c. Herman W. Fogwell, lives Pleasant Twp. 1963.
- d. Edward J. Fogwell, lives Huntingdon Co. 1963.
- e. Herschel Fogwell, lives near Roanoke, Ind.

3c, 2k, I , Francis Bowser married Ann Ott, lived Kansas City, Mo., d. after 1939. Issue:

- a. Grace Bowser, d. 1958.
- b. Roy Bowser, lives Kansas City, Mo.
- c. Ralph Bowser, d.

3d, 2k, I , Arthur Bowser, b. 1869, d. 1957, m. Anna Morrison, b. 1870, d. 1922, lived Wayne Twp. Issue:

- a. Marie Bowser, b. 1895, m. Alba Greek, b. 1893, d. 1956, lives near Lanesville, Ind.

From obituaries of Rachel Bowser; Minnie Fogwell; records of H.C. Wickliffe, 1704 St. Joe Blvd. Ft. Wayne.

Lovengood family

I , This name appears to be a mistake. The name of Livingood is most prominent in Berks Co. Pa. It probably could easily be traced by Wills and deeds to some of the families in the Berks Co. history. It is of Swiss origin, going from there to Alsace-Lorraine and on to Pa.

Rachel Lovengood was born Aug. 13, 1794 in Pa. and d. Oct. 15, 1876. She married Peter Fritz and her issue is under his line. Feb. 6, 1877 the Peter Fritz was offered for sale. F.W. Biganey and J.W. Mauger were the administrators.

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POST OFFICES.	Towns	Distances from	
	No of Houses	Washington	Reading
READING	702	141	—
Womelsdorf	97	138	13 1/2
Nutztown	81	158	16 1/2
Hamburg	66	157	15 1/2
Rehrersburg	45	145	27 1/2
Marysborough	30	192	19 1/2

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